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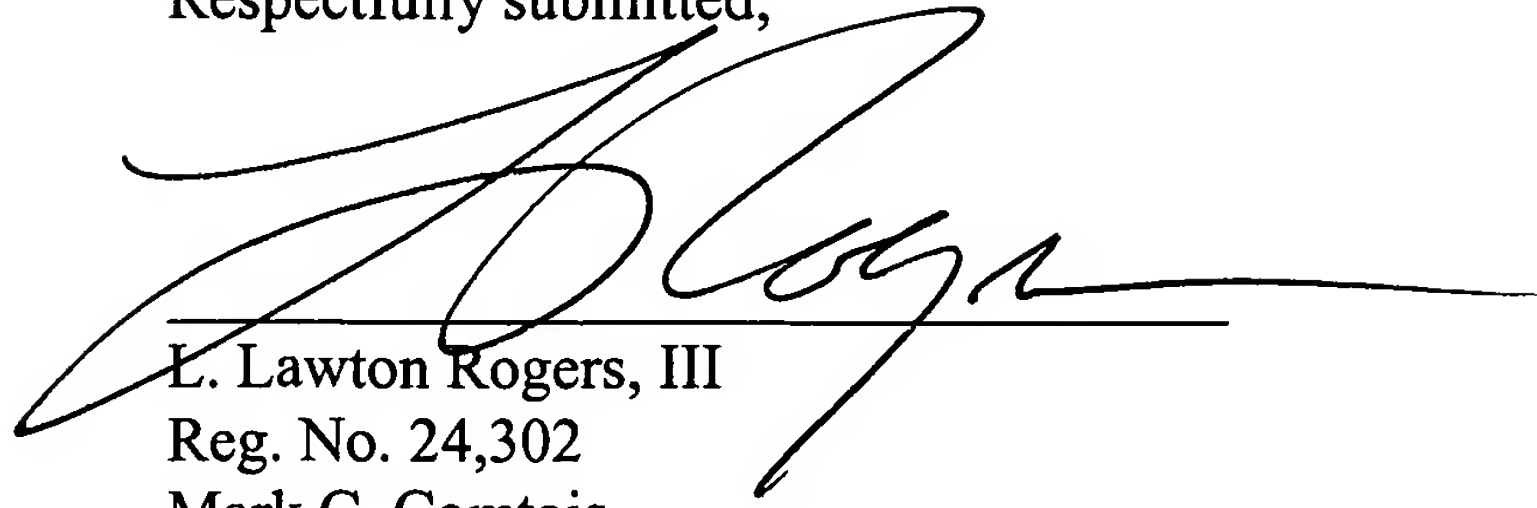
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**RELEVANCE OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE DOCUMENTS**

1. **DE 35 34 130** - Figures 3, 4 and Column 5, line 29 – Column 6, line 22 relevant to Claims 1-7, 9, 11 and 14.

The radial shaft seal has a sealing element which rests in sealing fashion on a running sleeve. It is connected to a rotating machine part for rotation in common and has an axial stop for a counterstop on the rotating machine part. The axial stop is fixed between the counterstop and an abutting part of the bearing.

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